home state may be allowed on promotion priority for their home state subject to availability of vacancy.

12. No transfer TA will be paid for request trransfer on whatever grounds unless the teacher has completed five years in his existing place of posting (read 5 years for request transfers and 3 years for North-Eastern Region and hard stations).

13. Asstt. Commissioner will be competent to change the headquarter of a teacher on administrative grounds to any place within the region as deemed fit and direct him to discharge his dutles there. The Asstt. Commissioners shall report forthwith the case with full facts to the Commissioner for confirmation or directions as may be considered necessary by the Commissioner.

14. Not-with-standing any provision in the above guidelines, the Commissioner will be competent to make such departure from the guidelines as he may consider necessary in the interest of the Sangathan.

Sd/-
(V.K. Jain)
Assistant Commissioner (HQ)

Copy to :-

All Asstt. Commissioner, Regional Offices, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, for information and guidance.

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[Translation]

Central Bed Bureau in Big Cities

2302. SHRI JAI PRAKASH (Hardoi) : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have studied the new interpretation of Section 21 of the Constitution, given by the Supreme Court recently, regarding giving compulsofy treatment to a patient in the primary health centres as well as in the big hospitals;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Government propose to set up Central Bed Bureau in the big cities; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d). In the light of the judgement in the case of Writ Petition (Civil) No. 796 of 1992 Paschim Banga Khet Mazdoor Samity and others versus State of West Bengal and others, the matter is being taken up with the State/UT Governments to take suitable steps for implementing the judgement.

[English]

Under Ground Water in Delhi

2303. SHRI B.L. SHARMA PREM : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government aware that a large requirement of water for the people of Delhi is met from the underground water resources;

(b) whether the Government are also aware of the fact that the level of underground water in Delhi is going down very rapidly since last 15-20 years;

(c) whether any steps have been taken or are proposed to be taken for Ground Water Development in Delhi, in consultation with WAPCO or other agencies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) Some portion of the requirement of water of Delhi is met from the underground water resources.

(b) A decline of 4 to 8 meters in the level of ground water has been observed in certain pockets of Delhi during the last 15-20 years.

(c) and (d). No step has been taken or is proposed to be taken in consultation with Water and Power Consultancy Services (India) Limited for development of ground water in Delhi. However, Central Ground Water Board has prepared a report titled "Development and Augmentation of Ground Water Resources in NCT of Delhi". A copy of this report has been made available to the Government of NCT of Delhi for taking follow up action.

Bridge over Ganga near Calcutta

2304. SHRI AJOY MUKHOPADHYAY : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a decision was taken to construct third bridge over Ganga near Calcutta;

(b) whether it is also a fact that announcement was made by the former Prime Minister during inauguration of Second Hooghly Bridge in Calcutta;

(c) whether any further steps have been taken in this direction;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the likely date when construction of the proposed bridge will be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) to (e). There is a proposal for construction of 2nd Vivekananda Bridge over Ganga near Calcutta under BOT scheme and it is too early to indicate the date of start of work.

Mandapeshwar Cave

2305. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware that there is one cave named Mandapeshwar Cave in Borivli (W), Mumbai, which is famous for its mythological and archaeological importance;

(b) whether Government are also aware that for want of proper maintenance and repairs the cave is in bad condition at present as its supporting pillars have developed cracks which need immediate and expert attention;

(c) whether the Government propose to instruct the Director of Archaeology in Maharashtra and call for urgent information report and proposals for repairs together with financial estimate; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) Yes, Sir. Mandapeshwar Cave at Borivli (W), Mumbai is a centrally protected monument under the Archaeological Survey of India.

(b) As the caves are carved out of very weak rocks, structural defects in the caves, including pillars, are visible. Necessary measures are taken for the proper conservation of the monument.

(c) and (d). Do not arise, in view of the monument being centrally protected.

Fate of DU Students

2306. SHRI I.D. SWAMI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "DU students' fate is sealed in six minutes" appearing in *The Times of India* dated September 10, 1996;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). A factual report on the allegations made in the newsitem has been called for from the University and any further action in the matter would be possible after the same is received.

Compulsory NCC Training

2307. SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether his Ministry is thinking to recommend to Human Resource Development Ministry for compulsory NCC training from Class XI to graduation course of the University with a view to select qualified 'C' certificate holders to join the commission;

(b) if not, whether some other plan is under consideration to motivate young college students to join Indian Defence Service; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). It has been decided to launch a comprehensive image projection campaign to highlight the unique positive features of the Armed Forces service as a fulfilling career.

Modernisation of Calcutta-Haldia Port

2308. SHRI TARIT BARAN TOPDAR :
PROF. JITENDRA NATH DAS :

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal for expansion and modernisation of Calcutta-Haldia Port;

(b) whether more berths are planned to be added there to handle more cargo;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the steps taken so far in this direction; and

(e) the funds allotted, if any, for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) More berths are planned to be added in Haldia.

(c) and (d). The Working Group on 9th Plan has recommended construction of third oil jetty and a jetty for handling dangerous and hazardous cargoes at Haldia.

Port Sector has also been opened up for private participation to undertake various port developmental activities.

(e) The 9th Plan and the Annual Plan for 1997-98 are yet to be approved.